



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Hall, *et al.* Group No.: 1634
Serial No.: 10/074,328 Examiner: Jehanne Souaya Sitton
Filed: 02/12/2002
Entitled: Nucleic Acid Detection Employing Charged Adducts

**AMENDMENT & RESPONSE TO
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